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CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

John Kenton Pass, Principal
The SawHorse Company
21 E. Monument Suite A
Colorado Springs, CO 80903

Re: Investigation closeout letter

Dear Mr. Kenton:

On April 17, 2014, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) received information from a homeowner regarding a painting project that The SawHorse Company conducted at 1212 N. Nevada Avenue in Colorado Springs, Colorado. The information referenced failure to meet all the requirements under the *Lead-Based Paint Renovation, Repair and Painting Rule* (RRP Rule). An investigation was initiated and you received an Information Request Letter (IRL). The purpose of the IRL was to gather information regarding this project. We have completed our review of the investigation and are now providing our response.

In your reply to the EPA's IRL, you admitted to not taking all the necessary steps as required by the RRP Rule. Specifically:

- You failed to provide a copy of the *Renovate Right* pamphlet (you provided the *Protect Your Family from Lead in Your Home* instead) and did not get a receipt of any pamphlet on the 3 projects requested.
- Although you stated that 6 mil plastic was used at 1212 N. Nevada to cover the doorway from the basement to the upstairs and that the area was cleaned daily, the homeowner alleged that other safe work practices were not employed during the project and that dust came into her home from the uncovered vent in her floor.
- You did not provide a Record Keeping checklist for the 3 projects as requested (we did receive invoices for 2 projects; invoices do not document your containment work practices or any worker training).

You provided evidence that you are an RRP certified renovator (R-I-18777-09-00068) and a lead-safe certified firm (NAT-41842-1). **(b)(6) privacy** Please understand




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that failure to come into compliance with the RRP Rule is a violation and could result in the assessment of a penalty in the future.

Enclosed is a copy of the *Small Entity Compliance Guide to Renovate Right* to aid you with RRP Rule requirements for future projects. Thank you for your cooperation throughout the investigation. Should you have questions, please do not hesitate to call Meg McCarthy at (303) 312-6498 or email at mccarthy.meg@epa.gov.

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Sincerely,


Cynthia J. Reynolds, Director Acting
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Enclosure